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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.51)

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION  
PCT/EP00/07110INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
25 July 2000 (25.07.00)PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
26 July 1999 (26.07.99)

## TITLE OF INVENTION

DEVICE FOR WASHING THE EXTERNAL AUDITORY MEATUS

## APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US


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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S. C. 371 (b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39 (1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith.
  - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ A translation of the International application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). with oath
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☒ A copy of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 is enclosed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included.

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or Information:
  - Copy of PCT Request
  - Copy of Recording of a Change
  - Copy of International Application Published Under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)
  - Information Concerning Elected Offices Notified of Their Election
  - International Preliminary Examination Report
  - Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices
  - Return postcard.

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<b>17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</b> <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5) ):</b> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO.....\$1040.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO...\$890.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO.....\$740.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1) - (4).....\$710.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1) - (4).....\$100.00  <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>				<b>CALCULATIONS</b> <b>PTO USE ONLY</b>          														
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				Surcharge of \$130 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).		<b>\$ 0.00</b>												
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<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		<b>\$ 890.00</b>																
Reduction of ½ for filing by small entity, if applicable. A Small Entity Statement must also be filed (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). Applicant asserts it is a <b>SMALL ENTITY</b> .		<b>\$ 450.00</b>																
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property     =		<b>\$ 00.00</b>																
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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ 450.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 13-4500 in the amount of \$0 to cover the above fees.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, ORDER NO. 0558-4025US . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</p>																		
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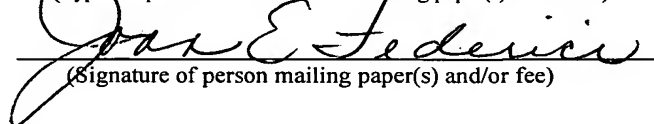
I declare that on January 24, 2002 I deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope "Express Mail, Post Office to Addressee", bearing Label Number EV062739573US, addressed to the "BOX PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, Attention: DO/EO/US and having an express mail certification which I executed, the following papers:

- Transmittal Letter to United States Designated/Elected Office (in duplicate).
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